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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION

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Sir:

THIS CASE IS UNDER A PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This paper is in response to the Official Communication mailed by the United States

Patent Office on August 5, 2003. In this Official Communication, the Office has rejected
all of the pending claims and requested changes to be made in the specification and
drawings. At the mailing of the Official Communication, claims 6-68 are pending.

This response includes the following items:

(1) A substitute specification in accordance with 37 CFR 1.125, including a marked up version of the original specification indicating the deletions and additions to

the specification, an unmarked clean version of the specification, and a statement that the substitute specification does not include any new matter.

- (2) Summary of Telephonic Interview.
- (3) Submission of formal drawings.
- (4) Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of Power of Attorney.
- (5) Amendments to the claims.
- (6) Remarks concerning the amendments and response.

The applicant respectfully requests the Office's consideration of this response.